

The Henderson County Sheriffs Office assisted by the NC State Highway Patrol and the Henderson County Hendersonville City Joint SWAT Team managed to diffuse a situation that occurred in the area of Howard Gap Road and North Allen Road earlier this morning. At 8:47 a.m. the Sheriffs Office received a report of a white male who was threatening suicide by shotgun. Officers responded to the area only to find that the person had fled to a barn on the property and deputies were then faced with a possible suicide threat as well as an armed and barricaded individual.

Officers contained the area and moved in to attempt to prevent the individual from harming himself or others. Eventually the individual was separated from the weapon and talked into a position where he could be apprehended safely and transported to receive medical attention. There were no shots fired or injuries sustained by the suspect or officers on scene. A taser was employed in the apprehension of the individual. At this time, no charges have been filed. It was our purpose from the beginning, to save life and to help make sure the individual has the opportunity to receive whatever help he may require. The incident was resolved at 9:33 a.m.